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4 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
5 EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
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7 JIMMY RAYMOND BLOW,

1:07-cv-1357 OWW-TAG (HC)

8 Petitioner,

ORDER DENYING MOTION FOR
APPOINTMENT OF COUNSEL

9 vs.

10 BUREAU OF PRISONS,

(Doc. 3)

11 Respondent.
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13 Petitioner has requested the appointment of counsel. (Doc. 3). There currently exists no
14 absolute right to appointment of counsel in habeas proceedings. See e.g., Anderson v. Heinze,
15 258 F.2d 479, 481 (9th Cir. 1958); Mitchell v. Wyrick, 727 F.2d 773 (8th Cir. 1984). However,
16 Title 18 U.S.C. § 3006A authorizes the appointment of counsel at any stage of the case “if the
17 interests of justice so require.” See Rule 8(c), Rules Governing Section 2254 Cases. In the present
18 case, the Court does not find that the interests of justice would be served by the appointment of
19 counsel at the present time.

20 Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Petitioner’s request for appointment of
21 counsel is denied.
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23 IT IS SO ORDERED.

24 Dated: September 21, 2007
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/s/ Theresa A. Goldner
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE